	Up direction towards Delhi
I AC	5 to 10
II AC	20 to 40
Sleeper Class	300 to 400

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Due to operational and resource constraints.

[Translation]

Doordarshan/AIR Kendras in Bihar

2020. SHRI SHATRUGHAN PRASAD SINGH : Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state :

(a) the districts in Bihar where there are no Doordarshan/AIR Kendras;

(b) whether any requests have been received from various districts to cover more areas of the State for setting up DD/AIR Kendras there;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the steps taken or proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI C.M. IBRAHIM) : (a) All India Radio/Doordarshan do not have district-wise scheme for setting up of stations/kendras. However, Bihar is fully covered by 10 radio stations and by a 200 KW MW transmitter at Siliguri. All the districts in the state are wholly or partially covered terrestrially by TV service including the districts of Vaishali, Saran, Jehanabad, Nalanda, Samastipur, Purnia and Kishanganj, where no relay kendras exist at present.

(b) to (d). Whereas All India Radio has not received any request from State Government during this year, requests for setting up of TV transmitters have been received by Doordarshan. Such requests are duly considered after taking into account factors such as existing coverage, resultant coverage, technical, suitability, etc. and expansion plans are formulated accordingly.

Monitoring of Railway Functioning

2021. PROF. PREM SINGH CHANDUMAJRA :
SHRI GUMAN MAL LODHA :

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the attention of the Government has been drawn towards the news-item captioned 'panel to monitor Railways functioning' appearing in the 'Financial Express' dated September 2,1996;

(b) if so, whether the Government have decided to constitute a panel to monitor the functioning of the railways;

(c) if so, the time by which the said panel is likely to be constituted; and

(d) the level at which the said panel is proposed to be constituted?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI SATPAL MAHARAJ) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (d). Monitoring cells headed by an Officer on Special Duty has been set up in the Ministry of Railways for monitoring complaints/suggestions relating to punctuality of trains, passenger amenities including cleanliness and catering services on the railway. Separate cells for monitoring complaints/suggestions on these aspects have been set up at the Zonal and Divisional levels also.

STD Facility in Tourist Centres of Madhya Pradesh

2022. SHRI RAMESHWAR PATIDAR : Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state :

(a) whether any proposal has been received from the Government of Madhya Pradesh for providing STD facility at tourist places in the State;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the time by which the STD/ISD/FAX and Telex facilities are likely to be provided?

THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI BENI PRASAD VARMA) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c). Does not arise in view of (a) above.

Telephone Facility in Madhya Pradesh

2023. SHRIMATI CHHABIA ARVIND NETAM : Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of telephone exchanges in Bastar district of Madhya Pradesh;

(b) the number of telephone exchanges having STD facilities;

(c) the number of telephone exchanges likely to be linked with STD facility during 1997-98

(d) the number of persons waiting for telephone;

(e) the time by which waiting list is likely to be cleared;

(f) the number of Gram Panchayats having telephone facility in Bastar;

(g) the number of Gram Panchayats not having telephone facility; and

(h) the time by which all the Gram Panchayats are likely to be covered?

THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI BENI PRASAD VARMA) : (a) 59

(b) 26